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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT MORESBY 0920

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT PP

SUBJ: PANGU AND PPP AGREE TO FORM COALITION

1. PANGU AND PEOPLE'S PROGRESS PARTY ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT THAT THEY HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO REAFFIRM THEIR COALITION PARTNER SHIP. PANGU WILL AGAIN PROVIDE PRIME MINISTER AND PPP WILL PROVIDE DEPUTY PM (JULIUS CHAN).

2. PAUL BENGU, SOMARE'S PRIVATE SECRETARY, CLAIMED 45 SEATS FOR PANGU AND 20 FOR PPP. WE REGARD THE PANGU FIGURE AS BEING VERY HIGH, UNLESS HE IS COUNTING IN GROUPS (SUCH AS MATANGANS AND BOUGAINVILLEANS) WHICH WE HAVE NOT FORMALLY INCLUDED WITH PANGU. BENGU WAS OOZING WITH CONFIDENCE.

2. BENGU ALSO TOLD ME VERY CONFIDENTIALLY THAT EBIA OLEWALE WOULD BE NEW FORIENG MINISTER. BIO ON OLEWALE BEING POUCHED TO EA/ANP.

3. COMMENT: NOT ALL THE SEATS ARE YET DECIDED, AND SIR TEI ABAL IS HOLDING MEETINGS BETWEEN UNITED PARTY AND INDEPENDENTS TO TRY TO WORK OUT ALTERNATIVE GOVERNMENT. WHILE
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SOMARE HAS LOTS OF PROBLEMS AHEAD, COMPETITION FROM UP AND INDEPENDENTS IS NOT SERIOUS.

4. OLEWALE, WHO COMES FROM WESTERN PROVINCE (WHICH EDGES ON TORRES STRAIT), WILL BE HARDER FOR AUSTRALIANS TO DEAL WITH THAN KIKI ON THE TROUBLESOME BORDER ISSUE.
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